



Annual Midwinter Lecture Series 2012

Wednesdays, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

**John & Polly Jennings Auditorium
Greencroft Goshen Community Center
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The Lifelong Learning Institute of Elkhart County invites the public to its annual Midwinter Lecture Series. The free lectures, on Wednesdays in the Jennings Auditorium at the Greencroft Goshen Community Center, begin at 1:30 p.m. and run for one hour, including time for questions and answers. No registration is required.

January 11: Ken Horst — Of Rockets and Hearts. In April 2011, Ken's popular rocket science projects at Goshen High School culminated in the launch of a large model rocket for NASA's "Student Launch Project" in Alabama. But he spent the next three months in the hospital, and became the subject of another type of "rocket science" when he received a new heart on July 10.

January 18: Dr. Jon Smucker — Restoring the Lost. Jon will present stories and images of the many "cast-off" items he has restored to beauty and usefulness — two classic wooden boats, an abandoned sail boat, a log cabin, cradles, chairs, lamps and tools — as part of his childhood dreams and for the enjoyment of family and friends.

January 25: Len Geiser — Family Businesses: Who Cares? In the news are businesses and banks "too big to fail." What about businesses owned by families for generations? Why should we care about their survival? Len owned a family business for many years, has consulted with over 100 businesses in the Midwest and taught business at Goshen College.

February 1: Rachel Kreider — The First Hundred Years. Rachel will tell stories from her long, rich life, beginning with her childhood in LaGrange County, Ind., including education at Goshen College and Ohio State Univ., family life in Wadsworth, Ohio, and distinguished work in Amish genealogy. Ervin Beck will interview her.

February 8: Dr. Robert Lerch — Yellowstone Alive, from Jackson Hole. Robert's virtual "all-day" tour through 300 miles of Yellowstone National Park will feature both dramatic images and a variety of tales from his work as an official guide. Though he will feature Yellowstone, he also conducts tours through the Grand Tetons.

February 15: Julia Gautsche — Bringing to Life: Babies, Communities, Politics. Gautsche will relate ways in which her career in nursing and midwifery have prepared her for community development and political action. In November she won re-election to the Goshen City Council by a substantial margin in District 4.

February 22: Snow Date in case a lecture needs to be postponed.

The LLI spring course offerings begin in late February. Topics for the seven courses will range from storytelling to Shakespeare, world Christianity to the global economy, and spring wildflowers to African arts. Brochures will be available soon at the Greencroft Goshen Senior Center, the Goshen College Welcome Center and other locations as well as online at www.goshen.edu/lifelong and www.greencroft.org/lifelonglearning/. Register at the Goshen College Welcome Center, 1700 S. Main St., (574) 535-7566.

